

**BOARD LETTER – SUMMARY SHEET
HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CLUSTER**

AGENDA REVIEW	May 21, 2014
BOARD MEETING	June 4, 2014
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT	All
DEPARTMENT	Mental Health
SUBJECT	Request approval to extend the term of a Sole Source Transitional Housing Program Agreement with A Community of Friends for Fiscal Year 2014-15
PROGRAM	Transition Age Youth – System of Care
DEADLINES	June 30, 2014
COST & FUNDING	\$136,000 Intrafund Transfer funding from the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)
PURPOSE OF REQUEST	To extend the term of a Sole Source Transitional Housing Program Agreement with A Community of Friends so as to provide continuous and uninterrupted transitional housing and supportive services to Seriously Emotionally Disturbed and Severely and Persistently Mentally Ill young adults
SUMMARY/ ISSUES (Briefly summarize program and potential issues or concerns. Identify changes, if any, to level of funding or staffing; how funding will be utilized and why best use; and prior accomplishments.)	Board approval of the term extension will prevent interruption to provide transitional housing and supportive services at its 20-bed Step-Out THP. This is a collaborative effort among ACOF, DCFS, the Probation Department, and DMH to provide housing and supportive services to Seriously Emotionally Disturbed (SED) and Severely and Persistently Mentally Ill (SPMI) young adults, ages 18 to 21, who have been in foster care in either the Dependency or the Delinquency system and have subsequently emancipated and had their court jurisdiction terminated. The primary goal of the Step-Out THP is to assist these high-risk young adults in obtaining and remaining in secure housing, increasing their independent living skills and income levels, and achieving greater independence through self-sufficiency.
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